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Sir:

This is in response to the nonfinal Office Action mailed April 26, 2005, to which a response is due without an extension of time by July 26, 2005. In view of the following amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw the outstanding rejections and allow all claims pending in the application.

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.

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